

People on the Move

Human Resources reports the following personnel changes as of July 17:

New Management Assignments

Elmer Johnson was named chief of the Process Certification Branch in the Safety Reliability and Quality Assurance Office.

Reassignments Between Directorates

Christine Boykin moves from the Space Shuttle Program Office to the Mission Operations Directorate as a mission integration engineer.

Bobby Crow moves from the Business Management Directorate to the Center Operations Directorate as a security specialist.

Karen Clark moves from the Information Systems Directorate to the International Space Station Program Office as a computer engineer.

Suzan Voss moves from the Space Shuttle Program Office to the International Space Station Program Office as a launch package engineer.

Promotions

Scott Henricks was promoted to senior quality assurance specialist in the Safety Reliability and Quality Assurance Office.

Additions to the Workforce

Jason Kruska joins the Flight Systems Safety and Mission Assurance Division in the Safety Reliability and Quality Assurance Office as an aerospace engineer.

Reassignments to Other Centers

Jeff Hoffman of the Flight Crew Operations Directorate moves to NASA Headquarters. David Baer of the Safety Reliability and Quality Assurance Office moves to Goddard Space Flight Center.

Resignations

Deborah Kessler, James Park and Norman Reese of the Engineering Directorate. Susan Foreman of the Center Operations Directorate.

Brennan receives new post

Mike Brennan was recently named JSC's Transportation Officer. Currently he is chief of the Transportation Branch, in the Support Operations Division in Center Operations.

As the Installation Transportation Officer, he will oversee the required certification of hazardous materials shipments on government and commercial bills of lading. Brennan also will serve as the Installation Transportation Motor Vehicle Operations Officer.

Brennan has been with NASA for more than eight years, serving as a



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traffic management specialist. Currently he is chief of the Transportation Branch, in the Support Operations Division in Center Operations.

To reflect other personnel changes, Center Operations has updated the list of members to the Vehicle Inventory and Utilization Review Board. They are Joseph Fries, William Parkan, Pete Vasquez and James Stanley as a recorder and non-voting member.

Child center has openings

The JSC Child Care Center will have openings in its early pre-school program this fall.

The center currently has 62 children and 15 caregivers. The center is located in Bldg. 210. Facilities include five classrooms and three playgrounds with activities ranging from science and math, to music and art. Program hours are from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Children between six weeks old and

kindergarten age are eligible. Tuition is based on the child's age and class level.

This program is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children and is conducted by caregivers with degrees in Early Childhood Education. JSC employees who have a three year old and would like to be part of the JSC learning family, should call x34734.

Visitor's center displays new 3-D Mars photo

Space Center Houston continues its Mars Mania attraction this month adding a 3-D image of Mars recently returned to Earth via the Mars Pathfinder mission.

A Mars meteorite, on loan to Space Center Houston, has been enhanced with a giant 3-D photo backdrop utilizing an image beamed back from the planet's surface by the Sojourner rover. 3-D glasses let visitors feel as if they have stepped onto the surface of Mars.

In addition to the 3-D photo and meteorite, kids and adults can manipulate a simulated planetary explorer in Kids Space Place and attend daily updates on the Mars expedition in the Mission Status Center.

Space Center Houston guests were recently treated

to live uplinks to JSC's KC-135 where engineers in the Crew and Thermal Systems Division were testing a new space suit design that may be used to explore the red planet. Visitors were able to ask questions which were answered via radio by Phil West of Crew and Thermal Systems.

To complete the Mars Mania attraction, souvenirs such as Mars Bars and T-shirts also are available in the Space Traders Gift Shop.

Discount tickets for Space Center Houston that include the Mars Mania attraction can be purchased at JSC's Exchange Store in Bldg. 3 and 11. Badged civil service employees may attend the visitor center for free. For details call 244-2105.



JSC changes on-site seat belt regulations

To enhance safety for drivers and comply with a presidential order promoting the use of seat belts, JSC is changing regulations regarding use of seat belts while on site.

"The intent of the seat belt regulation is to enhance employee and visitor safety through encouraging the use of seat belts," said JSC Director George Abbey. "I strongly encourage seat belt use at JSC for personnel in their privately-owned vehicles and I am making it mandatory for drivers or operators of government-owned vehicles of all types."

To further promote seat belt use, on April 16, 1997, President Bill Clinton signed Executive Order

13043, "Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States." This order requires seat belt use by federal government employees on government business. In addition, seat belt use in the state of Texas is mandated by the Texas Criminal and Vehicle Handbook. The current JSC Vehicle Code requires seat belt use in private and government motor vehicles while on site at JSC.

JSC security patrols will enforce rules regarding seat belt use in order to enhance the safety of all vehicle occupants while on JSC streets and roadways. Vehicles entering JSC and containing occupants not wearing seat belts will be stopped, and the officer at the gate

will remind the driver and passengers of the seat belt requirement. Any privately-owned or contractor-owned vehicle observed to contain occupants not wearing seat belts may be stopped by a JSC security patrol officer and reminded of the seat belt policy. Drivers and or operators of government vehicles will be issued citations for seat belt infractions and points assessed in accordance with the JSC vehicle code.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, an average of 115 persons die each day in motor vehicle accidents, one every 13 minutes. Each year, an estimated 10,000 lives are saved by the use of seat belts.

Barron earns top award

Mirella Barron in Flight Crew Operations recently received the Marilyn J. Bockting Award for secretarial excellence.

Barron was cited for her organizational skills and her initiative in exploring ways to do a job better and faster. Barron also was commended for her self discipline and her willingness to help.

Barron was recognized for her team participation in the ISO 9000 Quality Management System and the extra effort it takes to prepare and write quality procedures and instructions. She has a rare ability of performing beyond the requirements of her job description and is an enthusiastic, dedicated and dependable employee.

Barron was commended for her participation in JSC's Office Education program becoming a mentor and speaker for local schools.



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Mirella Barron, left, of the Aircraft Operations Division in the Flight Crew Operation Directorate receives the Marilyn J. Bockting Award for secretarial excellence from JSC Director George Abbey.

Dates & Data

Aug. 2

MAES gala: The Society of Mexican-American Engineers and Scientists will be hosting their annual scholarship banquet at 7 p.m. Aug. 2 at the University of Houston Hilton Hotel. Featured speaker is JSC Director George Abbey. For more information, call Mike Ruiz x38619.

Aug. 4

Industry presentation: Gould Instrument Systems will display products and solutions for data acquisition and recording challenges from 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 4 and Aug. 5 in the Bldg. 111 conference center. For more information call Beverly Anderson at x34511.

Aug. 6

Spaceland Toastmasters meet: The Spaceland Toastmasters will meet at 7 a.m. Aug. 6 at the House of Prayer Lutheran Church. For more information, call Jeannette Darcy at x45752.

Communicators meet: The Clear Lake Communicators will meet at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 6 at the Lockheed Martin, 555 Forge River Road. For more information, contact Richard Lehman at (281) 538-1854.

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meet at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 6 at United Space Alliance, 600 Gemini. For details, call Brian Collins at x35190.

Aug. 7

Warning system test: The site-wide Employee Warning System will undergo its monthly audio test at noon Aug. 7. For more information call Bob Gaffney at x34249.

Aug. 8

Astronomers meet: The JSC Astronomical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 8 at the Lunar and Planetary Institute, 3600 Bay Area Blvd. For more information call Chuck Shaw at x35416.

Aug. 12

JSC blood drive: Employees may give blood from 8 a.m.- noon Aug. 12 in Teague Auditorium. Donors will receive astronaut autographs and commemorative mug or T-shirt. For more information call Amy Mendez x32604.

Crew briefing: The STS-94 crew members will discuss their 16-day microgravity flight at 1:30 p.m. Aug. 12 in Teague Auditorium. For details call Helen Harris at x38413.

Aero club meets: The Bay Area Aero Club will meet at 7 p.m. Aug. 12 at the Houston Gulf Airport club-

house at 2750 FM 1266 in League City. For more information call Larry Hendrickson at x32050.

Aug. 13

JSC blood drive: Employees may give blood from 7:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. Aug. 13 in Teague Auditorium. Donors will receive astronaut autographs and commemorative mug or T-shirt. For more information call Amy Mendez x32604.

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MAES meets: The Society of Mexican American Engineers and Scientists will meet at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 13 in Bldg. 13, Rm. 156. For details call G.D. Valle at x38835.

PSI meets: The Clear Lake/NASA Area Chapter of Professional Secretaries International will meet at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 13 at the Holiday Inn, NASA Road 1. Dinner costs \$15. For details call Elaine Kemp at x30556.

Financial seminar: The Texas Gulf Coast Council of the National Management Association is hosting a "Successful Money Management" seminar from 6-9 p.m. Aug. 13, 20 and 27 in the USA Bldg. auditorium. Tickets cost \$60 for members and \$85 for non-members. For more information, call (281)280-0444.

Aug. 14

SSQ Meets: The Houston Clear Lake chapter of the Society for Software Quality will meet at 6 p.m. at the Ramada Kings Inn on NASA Rd. 1. Georges Hostache, co-chairman of the Greater Houston Deming Association, will discuss "Introduction to Quality Management Through the Famous Deming's Red Beads Experiment." Dinner costs \$10 for members, \$12 for non-members. For reservations or more information, call Renne Peterson (281)335-2034.

Airplane club meets: The Radio Control Airplane Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 14 at Clear Lake

Park Community Bldg. For details call Bill Langdoc at x35970.

Aug. 16

NTA meets: The National Technical Association will meet at 10 a.m. Aug.16 at Texas Southern University, School of Technology, Rm. 316. For more information, contact Pam Denkins x35272.

Aug. 18

ISO seminar: The Victoria Group, Inc. will host a seminar on ISO 9000 at 8 a.m. Aug. 18 at the Silver Moon Café at Space Center Houston. Lee Norbraten, JSC's director of the ISO 9000 office, will discuss: "ISO 9000: Building a System for Life." For more information call 1-800-845-0567.

Aug. 20

Scuba club meets: The Lunar-fins will meet at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 20 at the Redfish Restaurant under the Kemah/Seabrook bridge, Seabrook side. For more information call Fred Toole at x33201.

Aug. 21

Directors meet: The Space Family Education board of directors will meet at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 21 in Bldg. 45, Rm. 712D. For more information on this open meeting call Gretchen Thomas at x37664.